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For: LASER IRRADIATION APPARATUS, LASER)
IRRADIATION METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE))
AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Copies of the references are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

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